

REMARKS

Status of the Claims.

Claims 88 and 89 are pending with entry of this amendment, claims 1-87 being cancelled and no claims being added.

Allowed Subject Matter.

Applicants note that in the Office Action mailed on September 1, 2005, the Examiner indicated that claims 88 and 89 were allowed.

Accordingly, Applicants have canceled claims 1-87 to put this case in condition for allowance.

These claim cancellations are made without prejudice and are not to be construed as abandonment of the previously claimed subject matter or agreement with the Examiner's position. Applicants reserve the right to file subsequent applications claiming the canceled matter.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believes all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner seek to maintain the rejections, Applicants request a telephone interview with the Examiner and the Examiner's supervisor.

If a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (510) 769-3513.

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